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A copy of the complete, detailed report is on file with the Recording Secretary. Respectfully submitted, ROBERT L. SMILEY, *Custodian*.

EDITOR

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Four numbers of the *Proceedings* were published in 1967. Of the pages published, 4 were devoted to advertising and 370 to scientific papers, notes, obituaries, book reviews, minutes of meetings and announcements. Eighty-five scientific papers and notes were published during the year. The Society and the *Proceedings* benefitted from 10 paid papers of 77½ pages. This did not cause the articles of regular contributors to be postponed. Respectfully submitted, JON L. HERRING, *Editor*

THE HOST OF STACHIELLA RETUSA MARTIS WERNECK

(MALLOPHAGA: TRICHODECTIDAE)

Ferris, in 1916 (*Psyche* 23:98) reported *Trichodectes retusus* found on "Numerous specimens from two individuals of *Martes* sp.?, the Pine Marten; a single specimen from *Gulo luscus* ssp.?, a wolverine (all taken at Lyell Canyon, Mariposa Co., Calif.); and a single immature specimen from a skin of *Mustela vison nesolestes* (Admiralty Is., Alaska)." In the introduction to his paper he identifies the general locality as the Yosemite National Park.

Werneck, in 1948 (*Mallophagos de Mamiferos, Parte I*: 156, figs. 231-232) described *Stachiella retusa martis* for the specimens Ferris collected off *Martes* sp. cited above.

The University of California (Berkeley) Museum of Vertebrate Zoology has two skins, a male (#22109), and a female (#22110) with data "head of Lyell Canyon, Yosemite National Park, Tuolumne Co., 9,700 ft., California collected by G. F. Ferris on July 19, 1915." These two skins are the types of *Martes caurina sierrae* described by Grinnell and Storer in 1916 (*Univ. Calif. Publ. Zool.* 17:2).

Based on this evidence, it is apparent that the type host of *Stachiella retusa martis* Werneck, 1948 is *Martes caurina sierrae* Grinnell and Storer.

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